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**DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER FACTS FAX**

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**DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER MARKET, US Grade A, Week Ending 30-Apr-04**

DATE	PRODUCTION (000)		ICE-PACKED, MULTI-DROP, IMMEDIATE DELIVERY		
	<u>Actual Slaughter</u>	<u>Live Weight</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Weighted Price</u>	<u># of Boxes</u>
04/26	2,164	5.52	76-91	80.19	6,994
04/27	2,191	5.50	74-91	80.14	6,771
04/28	2,202	5.50	72-91	79.84	6,091
04/29	2,160	5.43	73-91	81.05	7,884
04/30	2,136	5.49	73-88	80.70	6,584
Weekly	10,853	5.49	Cumulative:	80.41	34,324

**NEGOTIATED TRADING, USDA GRADE A WHOLE ICE-PACKED, Week of 03-May-04**

Weighted Averages for:	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>
New York	76.85	76.36	52.39
Chicago	75.42	74.50	50.36
Detroit	76.33	75.62	50.60
Los Angeles	79.94	79.63	67.01
12-City Composite	77.83	76.05	57.89

**NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Ice-Packed, Delivered first receivers, pool and trucklot volumes, cents per pound, Week Ending 30-Apr-04**

	<u>Weekly Weighted Average Price</u>	<u>Total Volume/Pounds</u>
Breast - B/S	217.28	3,092,061
Tenderloins	224.09	586,950
Breast - With Ribs	122.62	692,320
Breast - Line Run	119.63	481,280
Legs	43.40	1,535,676
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	33.24	1,840,284
Drumsticks	40.86	800,135
Thighs	47.93	428,803
B/S Thighs	105.19	569,980
Wings (Whole)	124.16	668,562

(Includes NY City metro area, RI, Northern NJ, MA, CT, PA (NE of Harrisburg))

**BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED (000), Week Ending 24-Apr-04**

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>10-Weeks</u>	<u>7-Weeks</u>
	<u>Week</u>	<u>Week</u>	<u>Prior</u>	<u>Prior</u>
Eggs Set	213,468	213,662	207,999	210,313
Chicks Placed	173,068	171,422	172,080	169,208

**SLAUGHTER OF YOUNG CHICKENS UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, W/E 24-APR-04**

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>
Head (000)	156,011	152,185	153,380
Average Live Weight	5.20	5.26	5.16
To Date 2004 (000)	2,453,097	2,297,086	-----
To Date 2003 (000)	2,414,135	2,260,755	-----

**MONTHLY COLD STORAGE:** Total frozen poultry supplies on **March 31, 2004** were 10% higher than the previous month, but were 7% lower than a year ago. Total stocks of chicken were up 10% from the previous month, but down 7% from last year. Total pounds of turkey in freezers were up 9% from last month, but down 6% from March 31, 2003.

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